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Jerry -

MERRY CHRISTMAS

1919

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Died Jan. 1920 at Mare Island -
victim of Spanish Flu.

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SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE

"GOING OVER"

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The Man who never
would carry a bundle

The Exhibition Dancer

The Man
who was always
afraid of taking cold

The Dyspeptic

The Blase'
man-about-Town
gets a penny
Post Card...

The Man who always had Insomnia

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THEY'RE IN THE ARMY NOW

THAT FEELING WHEN THE
BOAT DIPS —

AND WHEN IT RISES

P. F. Crosby

SUCH A THING AS A
DANGER ZONE CAN NEVER
MAKE THE BOYS FORGET
THE GIRLIES - OH!!
BABIES! - HOW WE DO
MISS YOU.

P. Crosby

GOOD HEAVENS!!!
I MUST HAVE BEEN
AN AWFULLY SICK MAN

THE CAPTAIN WAS SUCH A BEAR FOR PROMPTNESS THAT
WHEN LIFE BOAT CALL SOUNDED EVERY MAN DROPPED
EVERYTHING AND REPORTED.

I WISH THEY'D TOLD ME THEY WERE
GOING TO SHIP ME OVER. NOW HERE
I AM 1000 MILES OUT AT SEA ON
SATURDAY NIGHT WITH 2
THEATRE TICKETS IN MY
POCKET

IT WAS JUST LIKE 2ND LIEUT. CRIMP TO ORDER
A GAS MASK DRILL
IN THE MIDST OF A
TROUBLED SEA

P. J. Crosby

SUPREME JOYS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE.

DISCOVERING A BATTLE SHIP 1000 MILES OUT IN THE OCEAN
FLYING OUR DEAR OLD FLAG

PVT. SPUTTER WHO CLAIMED THAT HE WAS IMMUNE FROM SEA SICKNESS. THE EXTENT OF HIS VOYAGES WERE CONFINED TO CONEY ISLAND AND HUDSON RIVER HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.

PVT. CLANCY FINDS THAT THE ROLLING SEA BRINGS BACK QUAIN MEMORIES OF HIS SAT. NIGHT STROLLS

PVT. COYOTE ENDEAVORING TO DESCRIBE THE WONDERS OF THE ROLLING SEA TO HIS GIRL IN ARIZONA WHO HAS A VAGUE CONCEPTION OF HAVING VISITED A RESEVOIR WHEN SHE WAS QUITE SMALL.

PVT. CURIO TAKES A BOTTLE FULL OF THE SEA IN THE DANGER ZONE HE FEELS THAT SOME DAY HIS GRAND CHILDREN WILL LOOK BACK WITH PRIDE ON WHAT HE WENT THROUGH FOR THEM.

PVT. FATT FEELS THAT THERE ARE CERTAIN AREAS OVER HIS ANATOMY WHICH WOULD PERMIT SOFT WOUNDS —

THEN HE COULD FLASH THOSE GORGEOUS WOUND STRIPES.

P. O. Presson

P. L. Crosby

THE 13TH SQUAD PASSING THROUGH THE DANGER
ZONE ON A DARK NIGHT

SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE
AFTER RIDING IN A FREIGHT CAR FOR 2 DAYS YOU ARE SERVED WITH
HOT COFFEE BY THE 1ST AMERICAN GIRL YOU HAVE SEEN IN FRANCE.
HAPPY? - OH! BOY!!!

SOME OTHER
FELLOW'S MOTHER.

HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED AS A CLOVER PATCH-
DUBB SETS OUT ON A PERILOUS MISSION.

OH! DEAR, DEAR LORD
PLEASE HELP ME FIND A
FOUR LEAFED CLOVER
BEFORE HE SPOTS MY
RED HAIR

W. P. Crosby

I WISH I WERE
DOING THIS FOR
GERTIE

TWEET!

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IN THE SPRING A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY LIGHTLY
TURNS TO THOUGHTS OF LOVE

PICTURES PATHE'S WEEKLY NEVER GOT
ON A TROOP TRAIN IN FRANCE: SOOTHING THE TROUBLED
SPIRITS OF THE MULES.

P. H. Crosby
10-13

HERE ENDETH THE FIRST LESSON

Phil Crosby

I'LL HAVE NO
MORE OF THIS
SNICKERING!!!

P. G. Crosby

66
BE IT EVER SO
HUMBLE - THERE'S
NO PLACE LIKE
HOME "

P. J. Crosby

PVT. DUBB SUDDENLY RECOGNIZES HIS
GIRL AFTER FINISHING A GAS DRILL

P. Crosby

FRESH FROM THE GUTTER - DUBB'S MASOCOT PAYS HIM A
VISIT JUST BEFORE SATURDAY INSPECTION!

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SOME ⁶⁶WEAR⁹⁹ IN FRANCE

P. Crosby

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SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE,
OPENING ONE OF SIX LETTERS FROM THE DEAREST GIRL AND FINDING
HER PICTURE AUTOGRAPHED TO YOU - OH! - TIE MY HANDS -

8-28

NEWS THAT THE AMERICANS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH ON
A WIDE FRONT HAS JUST REACHED THE 13TH SQUAD

THAT FEELING WHEN A LIEUT. HAS MARCHED HIS
PLATOON TWO HOURS AND JUST REALIZES THAT HE
IS ON THE WRONG ROAD

Somewhere in France
My dear Ma.
I am spending
my time on a farm
I get all the milk
and eggs I can eat
and the people here
are lovely to me.
Don't worry cause
I'm no where
near the front.
Your loving son
Dubb.

UNSUNG HEROES

P.O. Crosby

PICTURES PATHE'S WEEKLY NEVER GOT

P. Crosby

WHAT ARE YOU
LOOKING FOR?

IM LOOKING TO
SEE IF THERE'S
ANY COOTIES
ON MY SALARY.

A COOTIE
COULDN'T
LIVE ON
YOUR SALARY

Pop Prosser
New York

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"I wouldn't want to go to America now 'cause I'd only have to come back. Would you?"

"Would I? I'd be satisfied if they'd only give me time enough to make a 'phone call."

THERE SEEMS TO
BE SOMETHING?-

P. Crosby
9-16

ARE THOSE
WOUNDS?

NO. YOU D—— FOOL!
MUMPS.

P. H. Crosby
Lieut.
INF.

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COYOTE CONLEY
WHILE OUT WIRING
SUDDENLY DISCOVERS
A SNIPER

YOU ARE UNDER DIRECT
OBSERVATION OF THE BOCHE
SNIPERS. YOU WANT TO GET
A LINE ON A CERTAIN GUY
WITH A MACHINE GUN SO-

YOU RAISE YOUR HEAD SLOWLY
-VERY SLOWLY- AND TAKE
A LONG LOOK- A BIRD
FLITS PLAYFULLY FROM
LIMB TO LIMB. YOU ARE
ABOUT TO GET SENTIMENTAL

WHEN SUDDENLY-CLICK!
CLIC! ICK! ICK! ICK! ICK! ICK!
YOU GRASP THE EARTH AND
FEVERISHLY PRESS IT TO
YOUR BOSOM AND- **HOPE!!**

5 LONG WEARY MINUTES
HAVE PASSED AND YOUR
HUNGRY EYES SEARCH FOR
A MOULDING PLACE. EVEN
AN ANT HILL MIGHT ANSWER

YOU SEE A SACRED SPOT
WHEREIN YOU MIGHT SOOTHE
YOUR TREMBLING SOUL- S-L-
O-W-L-Y YOU SQUIRM-IN
ANOTHER MINUTE- YES- IN-

CLICK-ICK! ICK! ICK! ICK!
- THEN YOU KNOW THAT
SOME BODY'S BEEN RINGING
IN ON YOUR PRAYER- YOU
THINK-VERY QUICKLY- WHILE
THE THINKING IS GOOD

AGAIN EVERYTHING IS CALM-
THIS TIME YOU DECIDE TO
MAKE STRATEGIC WITHDRAWALS
TO THE DEAREST LITTLE
HOLE JUST IN THE REAR.

YOUR BODY FAIRLY OOZES
IN THE NEW DIRECTION-
YOU WONDER WHY YOU
DIDN'T THINK OF THIS BEFORE

AGAIN- THAT
CLIC-ICK! ICK! ICK! ICK!
MEETS
YOUR SENSITIVE EARS- WITH
YOUR LAST FLICKER OF WIT-
YOU DECIDE TO LAY DOWN-
ALL WINTER IF NECESSARY.

THERE'S A SUSPICIOUS ODOR
OF SNEEZING GAS
PERMEATING THROUGH THE
HAY- AND YOU ENDEAVOR
TO STIFLE A SNEEZE-BUT

TRY AS YOU MIGHT,
YOUR WHOLE FRAME
SHAKES WITH THE
EXPLOSION -

YOU RECKLESSLY
FOLLOW WITH A FEW
MORE, THEN -

YOU DON'T GIVE A
HANG, YOU'RE SO
CRAZY MAD TO
GET THAT GUY-

KOMERAD!
KOMERAD!

Heart P. Crosby

SUPREME MOMENTS IN
A ROOKIE'S LIFE.

WEARING THAT
FIRST SERVICE STRIPE
FOR SERVICE IN FRANCE

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING OUT
HERE, JOE?

OH. I JUST CAME
OUT FOR A BREATH
OF FRESH AIR

P. Crosby
France.
11-9

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"Sarge, I feel ashamed 'cause I 'ain't had a letter yet. Will you read out my name and make believe I'm gettin' one?"

GEE, AINT THIS
TOUGH! AND ON
MY BIRTHDAY .TOO.

P. Crosby
FRANCE

10-3

10-5
PICTURES PATHE'S WEEKLY NEVER GOT

THAT MUST HAVE
BEEN A HEAVY
JUDGING BY THE
CONCUSSION

P. J. Croshy

I'D TAKE OFF THAT
WRIST WATCH IF
I WERE YOU,
SERGEANT.

P. P. Crosby

SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE.

GETTING ICE CREAM
FOR THE 1ST TIME IN
6 MONTHS

P. Crosby
France

"PUSSY FOOT" KELLY TAKES ADVANTAGE OF THE 1ST SPOT
LIGHT HIS WIRE WALKING ACT EVER GOT. 9-18

Lt. P. Crosby
U.S. Inf.

HOW YOU FELT WHEN YOU HEARD THAT
NOISE IN THE BUSH IN THE ENEMY'S LINE.

AND WHAT REALLY
CAUSED THE NOISE.

THE COMEDIAN-LATE OF THE GLEETONE COMEDIES
YEARNS FOR THE OLD EXCITEMENT OF THE FILMS.

P. H. Crosby
France.

GONE-BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

100. P. Crosby
U.S. Infantry
France
10-17

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"What are we out here for, Sarge?" "Four-leafed clovers! The General's going to start an offensive to-morrow."

DELIVER US FROM EVER SPENDING 24
HOURS MORE IN AN ADVANCE POST WITH
A MAN WHO GIVES YOU HIS REASONS WHY
THE LAST 10 YRS. OF THE WAR
WILL BE THE HARDEST.

TELL THEM WE'LL
BE HOME XMAS

TELL MY MOTHER
I WORK IN PARIS
CAUSE SHE'LL WORRY.

IF YOU CAN'T
GET HER HERE,
SERGE, CALL UP
THIS BUTCHER.

JUST CALL AND SEE HER
AND THEN PUT IN A FEW GOOD
WORDS FOR ME - YOU KNOW THE
STUFF - THEN WRITE
AND TELL ME
WHAT SHE SAYS.

LENOX 4516.
CAN YOU REMEMBER
THAT? - 4-5-1-6.
THINK OF LUMMOX

SERGE, CAN I SEE
YOU ALONE FOR A
FEW MINUTES?

THE SERGEANT WHO IS TO SAIL FOR AMERICA.

Heet. P. Crosby
us. Inf.

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WHY DON'T YER
WHISTLE OR
SOMETHIN' -
MAYBE FRITZ DON'T
SEE US?

P. L. CROSBY

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THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN IN THE ARMY

"What! Only a Military Cross for pulling off a stunt like that? Mickey O'Toole got the D. S. C. for the same trick!"

New York City

My dear John.

Received your letters asking me why I haven't written. To tell you the truth I have been on the go continually, but took the first opportunity to answer your letters. You asked me if I had forgotten you. Silly! Of course I haven't. I love to hear from you and when you come back you'll find that I am still your pal.

In the future I'll try and be more prompt in answering your letters

With lots of love
Dora.

P. Crosby
France

THE MAIL THAT CAME TOO LATE

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**HOW THE SERGEANT FELT ON HIS LAST DAY AT THE
FRONT BEFORE SAILING FOR AMERICA**

WHAT DID YOU
DO BEFORE THE
WAR, EDDIE?

I WROTE THOSE ARTICLES
IN THEATRE PROGRAMS -
'WHAT THE WELL
DRESSED MAN WILL WEAR'

P.H. Crosby
France 10-19

1. I stood ready to go out on a patrol. All I was waiting for was darkness—and wishing it were over.

2. I made my way out of the wire. The night was still. Fearfully so.

3. Out of the wire I felt and felt for that path that looked so plain on the map.

4. I located my patrol by a soft whistle. They answered me in loud and distinct catcalls.

5. Suddenly I dropped, as the enemy sent up a flare, and I felt the ground fairly rumble with my heart throbs.

6. When all of a sudden—ZI-ING! A bullet split the stillness of the night. I clinched my teeth to save my heart from bouncing on the landscape.

7. Outside the enemy wire in the wet ground, I wondered if my girl was thinking of me. I recalled the times I spent with her in a warm theater, and how she used to titter at my little witticisms.

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8. I unconsciously touched their wire, which responded with an uncanny Bong! I pussyfooted back, expecting to be overtaken by the sput-sput of a machine gun.

9. At last I reached the opening in the wire, just as dawn was breaking. Happy? Oh, boy!

AS HE TOLD IT TO THE FOLKS AT HOME

AFTER A MONTH OF SEVERE FIGHTING THE INFANTRY
HAS SETTLED DOWN TO A PERIOD OF INACTIVITY.

H. P. Crosby
France

BLESSED IF I
KNOW WHAT TO
WRITE ABOUT

my
dear
Gertie

P. Crosby
France

9-25

WHAT ARE YOU
CRYING FOR MRS.
LADY?

MY HUSBAND EEZ A BRUTE HE
WILL NOT TAKE ME ON MY
HONEY MOON.
I WANT TO GO
ON MY
HONEYMOON.

NEVER YOU MIND.
I'LL TAKE YOU.
I HAVEN'T ANY
THING ELSE
TO DO.

lieut. P. J. Crosby

12-24

SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE.
GOING HOME WITH ALL LIGHTS ON - DANCING ON BOARD
AND NO SUBMARINES TO LOOK OUT FOR. 1-6.

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DON'T YER THINK
SHE'S A PEACH?
THAT'S MY GIRL

LITTLE
HEAVY FOR
YOU, BUDDY,
BUT I GUESS
THAT'S A
MATTER OF TASTE

I'M BRINGING THIS
HOME TO HER AS
A PRESENT.

IT'S A
PRETTY
BRACELET

'TAINT A BRACELET!
IT'S A WEDDING
RING!!

P. H. Crosby

THERE'S GAMBLING
ON BOARD, SIR.

HOW DO YOU
KNOW?

I JUST LOST
\$ 500

P. H. Crosby

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Bringing up Rations

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THE MAN WHO IS RETURNING
HOME WITH ONLY A BLUE
CHEVRON

THE MAN WITH
A GOLD ONE

AND THE MAN
WHO HAS THREE
AND TWO
WOUND STRIPES

P. L. Crosby

SUPREME MOMENTS IN A ROOKIE'S LIFE

GOING INTO A
POKER GAME WITH
50¢ AND COMING
OUT WITH \$50.00

P. Crosby

ON THE WAY TO THE FRONT

HOW YOU FELT WHEN YOU HIT THE DEAR
OLD TRYSTING PLACE AFTER COMING FROM FRANCE.

WHAT YOU FELT LIKE DOING WHEN YOU SAW THE 1ST
AMERICAN GIRL AFTER GETTING OFF THE BOAT.

OH, LADY!! BEE-OOT-IFUL
LADY!!!! I LOVE YOU! - WORSHIP YOU!
ADORE YOU! OH! PLEASE SAY
YOU'LL BE MINE? MM-M-
DEAR, DEAR-GIRLIE.

"Now if you can put just a little more animation in that pose, Lieutenant, we can have an excellent picture."

"Lieutenant, I see you've been over in France. You're a lucky man to come out of it. Especially an infantryman."

"For the life of me I don't see how you fellows had the nerve to face those guns."

"So you belong to the 305th Infantry. The papers have been filled with accounts of what that regiment did at the front. You must feel proud to be an officer of that outfit."

"I was told by good authority that all the Lieutenants were picked men because success depended upon the Lieutenant."

"That will be all to-day, Lieutenant. FIFTY DOLLARS, PLEASE!"

HIS ANSWER WAS IN THE NEGATIVE

THE WAY IT SEEMED WHILE WAITING FOR YOUR PARTY WHEN
YOU WANTED TO TELL THEM YOU JUST RETURNED FROM FRANCE

I'LL BET THEY'RE OUT.

MAYBE THE PHONE'S
BEEN TAKEN OUT.

WHY DON'T THEY ANSWER?

THIS IS TERRIBLE

DIDN'T YOU GET THEM?

SHE MUST BE A NEW
OPERATOR.

WILL YOU
TRY THEM
AGAIN?

OOOH!!!

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